

## **City of Gaithersburg Press Release**

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## Neighborhoods, HOAs Invited to Apply for Improvement Matching Grants

Gaithersburg, MD – (May 21, 2020) The City of Gaithersburg will begin accepting applications on May 22, 2020, for funding under the Frederick J. Felton Neighborhood Matching Grant Program. The program provides an incentive for neighborhood organizations to improve their communities by awarding dollar-for-dollar matching grants of up to \$5,000. There is approximately \$60,000 allocated for the program in the proposed Fiscal Year 2021 budget.

Neighborhood groups and associations have used grant funds for such things as sidewalk enhancement, lighting upgrades, signage, fence replacement, playground equipment, recreational amenities, parking lot enhancements, community block parties, and even neighborhood birdhouses.

Application forms are available <u>online</u> under "City Manager" in the "Government" section at <u>www.gaithersburgmd.gov</u>. **All applications must be submitted electronically**. The deadline to apply is July 17, 2020.

For more information on the program, please contact Jess Kwasny, Legislative Affairs Manager in the City Manager's Office, at 240-805-1090 or jess.kwasny@gaithersburgmd.gov.

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